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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Battle Ground Public Safety Technology Improvements in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Battle Ground located at 109 SW 1st Street Battle Ground, WA 98604.

Strategic funding will help improve the city of Battle Ground's safety and emergency response capabilities, which are currently constrained by out-of-date police technology, an inadequate number of outdoor cameras, and limited video storage capacity. Currently, all regional first responders are unable to communicate with each other or the 911 center inside the larger Battle Ground Public School District school locations. In addition, the Battle Ground Police Department relies on video surveillance to expand the department's reach and capacity with constrained resources. Adequate video surveillance is critical to its ability to protect citizens and property for both immediate intervention of criminal activity and investigating criminal conduct after the fact. Also, installing radio repeaters inside schools ensures reliable communication capabilities in an emergency which increases student safety. Federal funding will help bolster overall community safety with comprehensive technology improvements intended to protect students and residents, as well as public and private property.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

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